

LINEAR NO-THRESHOLD MODEL OF LOW-DOSE RADIATION

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Energy and Environment held a hearing on Reexamining the Scientific Basis for the Linear No-Threshold Model of Low-Dose Radiation. Testimony was heard from Gary L. Jones, Associate Director, Energy, Resources and Science Issues, GAO; and public witnesses.

FINANCING COMMERCIAL SPACE VENTURES

Committee on Science: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing on Financing Commercial Space Ventures. Testimony was heard from Marcia S. Smith, Specialist in Aerospace and Telecom Policy, Congressional Research Service, Library of Congress; and public witnesses.

GRADE-CROSSING WHISTLE BAN LAW IMPLEMENTATION

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Ground Transportation held a hearing on the Implementation of the Federal Railroad Administration Grade-Crossing Whistle Ban Law. Testimony was heard from Speaker Hastert; Representatives Hyde, Biggert, Kucinich, Crane, Rush, and Gutknecht; Jack Wells, Deputy Administrator, Federal Railroad Administration, Department of Transportation; Thomas J. Coyne, Mayor, Brook Park, Ohio; Robert Blomquist, Mayor, Olmstead Falls, Ohio; Rita Mullins, Mayor, Palatine, Illinois; Judith Rice, Commissioner, Department of Transportation, Chicago, Illinois; Richard Mathias, Chairman, Commerce Commission, Illinois; and public witnesses.

VETERANS LEGISLATION

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Benefits approved for full Committee action the following bills: H.R. 4850, Veterans Benefits Act of 2000; and H.R. 4864, Veterans Claims Assistance Act of 2000.

COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR WEDNESDAY, JULY 19, 2000

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: Subcommittee on Securities, to hold hearings on adapting a 1930's financial reporting model to the 21st century, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation: to hold hearings on the nomination of Norman Y. Mineta, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority, 9:30 a.m., SR-253.

Subcommittee on Science, Technology, and Space, to continue hearings on proposed legislation authorizing funds for fiscal year 2001 for the National Science Foundation, focusing on current research activities, 2:30 p.m., SR-253.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 9:30 a.m., SD-366.

Subcommittee on Water and Power, to hold oversight hearings on the status of the Biological Opinions of the National Marine Fisheries Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on the operations of the Federal hydropower system of the Columbia River, 2:30 p.m., SD-366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, and Drinking Water, to hold oversight hearings on the Fish and Wildlife Services's administration of the Federal Aid Program, 9:30 a.m., SD-406.

Committee on Foreign Relations: to hold hearings to examine giving permanent normal trade relations status to Communist China, focusing on human rights, labor, trade and economic implications, 2:30 p.m., SD-419.

Committee on Governmental Affairs: to hold hearings on certain legislative proposals and issues relevant to the operations of Inspectors General, including S. 870, to amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 (5 U.S.C. App.) to increase the efficiency and accountability of Offices of Inspector General within Federal departments, and an Administrative proposal to grant statutory law enforcement authority to 23 Inspectors General, 10 a.m., SD-342.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: business meeting to consider pending calendar business, 5 p.m., SD-430.

Committee on Indian Affairs: to hold oversight hearings on activities of the National Indian Gaming Commission, 2:30 p.m., SR-485.

House

Committee on Agriculture, to continue hearings to review federal farm policy, 10 a.m., 1300 Longworth.

Committee on Armed Services, hearing on military capabilities of the People's Republic of China, 10 a.m., 2118 Rayburn.

Committee on Banking and Financial Services, hearing on H.R. 4541, Commodity Futures Modernization Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Domestic and International Monetary Policy, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4096, Bureau of Engraving and Printing Security Printing Amendments Act of 2000; and H.R. 4818, International Monetary Stability Act of 2000, 2 p.m., 2128 Rayburn.

Committee on the Budget, Natural Resources and the Environment Task Force, hearing on Fire Safety Failures of the Park Service: Caretaker of the Nation's Treasures Ineffective in Addressing Hazards, 10 a.m., 210 Cannon.

Task Force on Welfare, hearing on Food Stamp Fraud: Why Trafficking Persists and What Can Be Done About It, 1 p.m., 210 Cannon.

Committee on Commerce, Subcommittee on Health and Environment, hearing on "BBA '97: A Look at the Current Impact on Providers and Patients," 10 a.m., 2123 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Telecommunications, Trade and Consumer Protection, hearing on A Review of the FCC's Spectrum Policies for the 21st Century, including H.R. 4758, Spectrum Resource Assurance Act, 10 a.m., 2322 Rayburn.

Committee on Education and the Workforce, Subcommittee on Employer-Employee Relations, to mark up H.R. 4747,

Retirement Security Advice Act of 2000, 10:30 a.m., 2175 Rayburn.

Committee on Government Reform, Subcommittee on National Security, Veterans' Affairs and International Relations, hearing on "Oversight of the State Department: Is Management Getting Results?" 10 a.m., 2247 Rayburn.

Committee on International Relations, hearing on Crime and Corruption in Bosnia, 10 a.m., 2172 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on International Economic Policy and Trade, hearing on the Costs of Internet Piracy for the Music and Software Industries, 2 p.m., 2200 Rayburn.

Committee on the Judiciary, to mark up the following measures: H.J.Res. 72, granting the consent of the Congress to the Red River Boundary Compact; H.R. 4700, to grant the consent of the Congress to the Kansas and Missouri Metropolitan Culture District Compact; H.R. 2987, Methamphetamine Anti-Proliferation Act of 1999; H.R. 1349, Federal Prisoner Health Care Copayment Act of 1999; H.R. 4640, DNA Analysis Backlog Elimination Act of 2000; H.R. 2883, Adopted Orphans Citizenship Act; H.R. 238, to amend section 274 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to impose mandatory minimum sentences, and increase certain sentences, for bringing in and harboring certain aliens act to amend title 18, United States Code, to provide enhanced penalties for persons committing such offenses while armed; and H.R. 2558, Prison Industries Reform Act of 1999, 10 a.m., 2141 Rayburn.

Committee on Resources, to mark up the following: a resolution and report containing statements of fact (1) reporting to the House of Representatives Contempt of Congress by the Project on Government Oversight, Ms. Danielle Brian Stockton, Mr. Keith Rutter, Mr. Henry M. Banta, and Mr. Robert A. Berman arising from refusals to comply with subpoenas duces tecum issued by the Committee on Resources and (2) reporting to the House of Representatives Contempt of Congress by Mr. Robert A. Berman, Mr. Keith Rutter, Ms. Danielle Brian Stockton, and Mr. Henry M. Banta arising from refusals to answer pertinent questions while testifying under subpoena before the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources; motion regarding Transfer of Committee Records; S. 624, Fort Peck Reservation Rural Water System Act of 1999; S. 1288, Community Forest Restoration Act; H.R. 1814, to provide incentives for Indian tribes to collect and pay lawfully imposed State sales taxes on goods sold on tribal lands and to provide for penalties against Indian tribes that do not collect and pay such

State sales taxes; S. 1937, to amend the Pacific Northwest Electric Power Planning and Conservation Act to provide for sales of electricity by the Bonneville Power Administration to joint operating entities; H.R. 2674, Palmetto Bend Conveyance Act; H.R. 3033, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to make certain adjustments to the boundaries of Biscayne National Park in the State of Florida; H.R. 3112, Colorado Ute Settlement Act Amendments of 1999; H.R. 3241, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to recalculate the franchise fee owed by Fort Sumter Tours, Inc., a concessioner providing service to Fort Sumter National Monument in South Carolina; H.R. 3745, Effigy Mounds National Monument Additions Act; H.R. 4125, to provide a grant under the urban park and recreation recovery program to assist in the development of a Millennium Cultural Cooperative Park in Youngstown, Ohio; H.R. 4275, Colorado Canyons National Conservation Area and Black Ridge Canyons Wilderness Act of 2000; H.R. 4320, Great Ape Conservation Act of 2000; H.R. 4340, Mineral Revenue Payments Clarification Act of 2000; H.R. 4521, to direct the Secretary of the Interior to authorize and provide funding for rehabilitation of the Going-to-the-Sun Road in Glacier National Park, to authorize funds for maintenance of utilities related to the Park; and H.R. 4583, to extend the authorization for the Air Force Memorial Foundation to establish a memorial in the District of Columbia or its environs, 11 a.m., 1324 Longworth.

Committee on Science, hearing on Encouraging Science, Math, Engineering and Technology Education in Kindergarten Through 12th Grade and H.R. 4273, National Science Education Incentive Act, 10 a.m., 2318 Rayburn.

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4441, Motor Carrier Fuel Cost Equity Act of 2000; and H.R. 4844, Railroad Retirement and Survivors' Improvement Act of 2000, 2 p.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Subcommittee on Ground Transportation, to mark up the following bills: H.R. 4441, Motor Carrier Fuel Cost Equity Act of 2000; and H.R. 4844, Railroad Retirement and Survivors' Improvement Act of 2000, 10 a.m., 2167 Rayburn.

Committee on Ways and Means, to mark up the following: the Miscellaneous Trade and Technical Corrections Act of 2000; H.R. 4678, Child Support Distribution Act of 2000; H.R. 4844, Railroad Retirement and Survivors' Improvement Act of 2000; and the Social Security Benefits Tax Relief Act, 1:30 p.m., 1100 Longworth.